

Uganda Mission Information Packet

November 30-December 10, 2026

Thank you for your interest in serving on an Abba Missions trip to Uganda!

Since 2017, Uganda has become a vital part of the vision and ministry of Abba Missions. What began as annual mission trips has grown into a permanent ministry that serves children, families, schools, churches, and communities throughout Uganda.

In September 2025, God opened the door for Gianna Salvo to establish **Nyumbani Ya Abba** ("The Father's Home"), a children's home that now serves as the ministry headquarters for our teams while we are in Uganda. Rather than staying in hotels or guest houses, our mission teams live alongside the ministry, allowing us to build meaningful relationships with the children and fully immerse ourselves in daily life and ministry.

This trip is not simply about traveling to another country or completing service projects. It is about allowing God to use you while also allowing Him to transform you. Every day presents opportunities to serve, to grow spiritually, and to step outside of your comfort zone. Some moments may be challenging, but those are often the moments God uses the most.

Whether this is your first mission trip or your tenth, we encourage you to come with a servant's heart, a teachable spirit, and a willingness to say "yes" to whatever God has planned.

About Nyumbani Ya Abba

Nyumbani Ya Abba, meaning "**The Father's Home**," was established by Gianna Salvo, director of Abba Missions, in September 2025 to provide a safe, Christ-centered home for vulnerable children in Uganda.

Today, the home cares for children who are currently attending primary school, providing them with housing, meals, education, discipleship, and the love and stability of a family environment. Every child is known, loved, and encouraged to grow spiritually, academically, and personally.

Nyumbani Ya Abba is more than a children's home, it is the heart of our ministry in Uganda. It is where our mission teams stay during each trip, allowing team members to experience everyday life alongside the children and staff. Living on the property gives our teams unique opportunities to build genuine relationships, participate in daily routines, and minister through both planned activities and ordinary moments.

Beyond the children who live at Nyumbani Ya Abba, **Abba Missions also sponsors students throughout Uganda who are pursuing education at every level**, including primary school, secondary school, vocational training, and university. Through our sponsorship program, we are committed to investing in children and young adults by providing educational opportunities while sharing the hope of Jesus Christ.

As a member of the mission team, you may spend time with both the children who live at Nyumbani Ya Abba and many of the sponsored students who come to visit during ministry events, worship services, outreach programs, or school visits. Each relationship is an opportunity to encourage, disciple, and demonstrate the love of Christ.

What Will We Be Doing?

Every mission trip is unique. While we have a general schedule, we always leave room for the Holy Spirit to redirect our plans.

During your trip, you may participate in:

- Spending time each day with the children at Nyumbani Ya Abba.
- Children's ministry and discipleship.
- Worship services and ministry at local churches.
- Door-to-door evangelism and prayer throughout surrounding communities.
- Teaching and preaching in local schools.
- Sharing testimonies and encouraging believers.
- Community outreach projects.
- Visiting pastors and ministry leaders.
- Prayer ministry.
- Team devotionals and worship.

Everyone serves differently. Some people may preach. Others may pray with families, teach children, play games, encourage pastors, or simply build meaningful relationships.

No matter your gifts or experience, there is a place for you to serve. We simply ask that you remain flexible, willing, and sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

This trip isn't just about changing Uganda, it is about allowing God to change you!

Every conversation, every act of service, every prayer, and every challenge becomes an opportunity for spiritual growth. Many people return home saying they received far more than they gave.

Come expecting God to stretch your faith.

Come expecting your perspective to change.

Come expecting to build lifelong relationships with your team and the people of Uganda.

Be teachable. Be flexible. Be humble. Be servant-hearted.

Above all, remember that success on this trip isn't measured by how much you accomplish, it is measured by your obedience to whatever God asks you to do.

We are believing that this won't simply be another trip on your calendar, but a defining moment in your walk with Christ.

Why Go?

People often ask, "Why should I go to Uganda?"

The answer is simple: because God often does some of His greatest work when we step outside of what is familiar and choose to follow His leading.

This trip is not about "saving" Uganda. God is already moving powerfully there. It is not about checking a mission trip off your bucket list or having an unforgettable travel experience, although it definitely will be one. It is about joining the work God is already doing through Abba Missions and allowing Him to work just as deeply in your own life.

As you spend time with the children at Nyumbani Ya Abba, encourage sponsored students, visit schools, minister in churches, pray for families, and share the Gospel throughout local communities, you will witness lives being impacted. At the same time, you may find that God is transforming your own heart, strengthening your faith, and expanding your understanding of His Kingdom.

Mission trips have a way of changing your perspective. They teach you to depend on God in new ways, to value relationships over possessions, to serve with humility, and to see people through the eyes of Christ. They stretch your faith, challenge your comfort, and remind you that following Jesus often means saying "yes" before you know exactly what He has planned.

You do not need to be a pastor, preacher, or Bible teacher to make an impact. God uses people with all kinds of gifts and personalities. Whether you are praying with someone, leading worship, playing with children, sharing your testimony, helping with practical tasks, or simply offering encouragement, every act of love and obedience matters.

If you are willing to be teachable, flexible, and available, God can use you in ways you never imagined.

Our prayer is that you return home with a greater love for God, a deeper compassion for people, lifelong friendships with your team and the Ugandan community, and a renewed passion to live on mission wherever God has placed you.

Trip Cost & Payment Schedule

The estimated **ministry cost** for this mission trip is **approximately \$1,500 per person, plus airfare**.

This ministry cost covers your lodging at Nyumbani Ya Abba, meals while at the ministry, transportation within Uganda, ministry expenses, and other planned trip activities & some of your free day activities.

Please note that this estimate is based on our current planning. While we do everything possible to stay within budget, unexpected expenses can occasionally arise. If any additional costs become necessary, we will communicate them to the team as soon as possible.

Optional Free Day

Each year we try to include one day for the team to rest, experience Uganda's beauty, and build relationships with one another. If the team chooses to spend our free day at **Sipi Falls**, an additional **approximately \$150 per person** will be added to cover transportation, lodging, meals, and activities associated with that excursion.

Airfare

Airfare is not included in the ministry cost.

We plan to purchase airline tickets anytime between mid-September and October to secure the best available pricing. Because airfare must be paid at the time of purchase, **your airfare payment must be paid in full before your ticket can be purchased**. We will notify you of the exact amount as soon as flights are finalized.

Payment Schedule

Airfare: Paid in full prior to ticket purchase

September 20, 2026: \$200 deposit with application

October 4, 2026: \$500 ministry payment

November 1, 2026: \$500 ministry payment

November 15, 2026: Final \$300 ministry payment

If you anticipate any difficulty meeting these deadlines, please communicate with the trip leaders as early as possible. We understand that everyone's financial situation is different and would much rather work with you ahead of time than have you fall behind without communicating.

We encourage every team member to begin fundraising and saving as early as possible. Throughout the preparation process, we will provide fundraising ideas and opportunities to help make this trip financially attainable.

God Will Provide

We also want to encourage you not to let finances become the deciding factor in whether you answer God's call. Mission trips require faith, and time after time we have watched God faithfully provide for those He has called.

If you truly believe the Lord is leading you to be part of this team, trust that He is also able to provide the resources needed to get you there. Scripture reminds us that God is our Provider, and He does not call His children into His work without also making a way. That provision may come through your own savings, fundraising opportunities, generous supporters, or unexpected blessings, but however He chooses to provide, we encourage you to walk forward in faith rather than fear.

Begin praying now. Ask the Lord to guide your fundraising efforts, open doors of opportunity, and provide every dollar needed for this trip. As you take steps of obedience, trust Him with the outcome. We are believing with you that if God has called you to Uganda, He will faithfully provide what is needed for you to go.